

## NEEDS AND KNOWLEDGE SEEKING PATTERN OF PUBLIC LIBRARY USERS IN MYSORE DISTRICT

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### **Abstract:**

The here study designs for considerate the information wants and information seeking Pattern of Public library users in Mysore district. Present of 130 questionnaires randomly distributed near the respondents, 110 properly filled in questionnaires were predictable with taken to the analysis. The learn reveals that trendy of the respondents be male. Expensive of users during the public libraries contained by Mysore district. 31 (29%) respondents expressed with the purpose of their plane of satisfaction resting on library services be admirable follow through 40 (36%) respondents rating the satisfaction level while good. level seeing that 30 (27%) respondents are currently satisfied among the level of library services being performed, 09(08%) respondents stated their dissatisfaction on the library services next to provide study has clearly indicated to concerning the excellence of information services here rural situation in the direction of creation people familiar citizens regarding the different developmental schemes individual being sprint through the state with central governments. The library provides additional during sequence to rural community and help in improvement of rural areas.

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### **Introduction**

Information is critical material for the declaration making of process. People need of information administrative level to the personal level. Starting the really cultured with experience person to school children. Since a very celebrated being near a common person for attractive the correct decision into each step of life.

In this information time near is accordingly a great deal of information person generated that we are confronted among expansion of information which leads next to information detonation by means of exponential information contamination. The public are thrown about the information require, information access and information sources. Once additional information orientation varies from person to person according near their requirements. Consequently information seeking is a kind of statement behaviour. This surely is influenced by many factors. It also regards personality reasons for seeking information. The kind of information which requisite with the practice and sources with which attractive information is necessary.

The learning reports secreted happening the general lack of associate of surroundings villagers, information needs with their incapability near apparent these needs. Rural village are unaware of their information need along with their aptitude to express these needs resolve be assessed as well as evaluated. The revision also will recognize the nature of information sources and information supplier used by rural villagers in their search for information, because healthy like their level of satisfaction with the information source along with information provider used.

### **Information**

- Information is the consequence of dispensation, congregation, through organizing data in to the knowledge of the receiver.
- The knowledge consequential preliminary study of practice.
- It includes data, concepts, directions some sort of knowledge or opportunity which able to be communicated.
- Information resources data, book, descriptions, sounds, workstation programs, software, databases otherwise the like.
- The purpose of has been processed and accessible inside a form proper for human being valuation.

### **Importance of Information and User Needs**

Information is called when a service as it has an experience importance. Information is the essential element of the development of society. The current century be treated in arrange revolution with libraries be gradually changeable their features by migrating towards the exercise of electronic information sources. Get these different forms of e-resources has a colossal choice of compilation along with ways.

Users are distended and the information explosion also they are into the require of identifying as well as correct information. Information needs the connected to documented edification, vacation activities, principles in adding together to principles, moreover wants broadcast multicultural awareness, distressing awareness, community system knowledge, worship and belong desires.

### **Objectives of the Study**

The now study has been invented for rural public library users mostly comprising of inexpert persons, farmers, students, businessmen, teacher which are worried beginning a variety of village area. The information pertaining near the study was composed during the plan interview method and people observation. The dependability of the particulars depends on the sincerity of the respondents. The kind of military undertaken by means of rural public libraries following objectives have been formulated for the lessons:

To examine the special treatment level of rural population used for the aggregation with services of rural public library in Mysore:

- In front of know with reference to the library use pattern of rural people visit the rural public libraries.
- Toward discover out the kinds of resources obtainable in the rural public libraries.
- Just before discover the variety of information needs of rural public libraries users.
- In front of become visible at the information seeking pattern behaviour of rural public libraries users.
- identify their leaning of sources of information to acquire right information.
- In the direction of examine the difficulties encountered by rural population.
- To propose with means or measures used for the development of rural public library services.

### **Statement of the Problem**

The analysis on information needs and information seeking pattern of behaviour possibly one of the generally all successful methods of discerning user information necessities. It has been experiential to the library user from diverse rural area not frequently visit public rural libraries. They are not attentive of sources of information and check provided by library also varies starting library to library. The difficulty was evenly with this to the barest smallest amount in order has not valuable the outcome of the survey by the important response rate registered.

## **Review of Literature**

Kanungo (1997) finished an attempt to examine the methods of looking for information by the women researchers in the disciplines of telling and next science in the University of Delhi and Jawaharlal Nehru University. The adjust attempts to make a relative analysis of the methods adopted through these researchers in decision, accessing with acquiring information. Personality experiential in nature, the revise has been conducted in the structure of a user survey using questionnaire and conversation methods.

Deshpande (2000) calculated the implication of public libraries in growing countries and have intense out the most important characteristics of a public library and territory root services. The services which can exist offered to the public are comprehensive in the study. Which are refining the illiterates provide in order forces for women. giving children's service, conducting mature education classes, providing information on ordinary problems, generous information service to the farmers, create discipline irritability, and providing information services to the disadvantaged.

Chakrabarti (2001) examined the information seeking behaviour of the Toots's familial community in Sub-Himalayan West Bengal, India. Toward understand the information wants of the Toto community, data were collected during justification, questionnaire, and unstructured interviews survey reports among administration documents exist also consulted, and the suggestion of community experts such as teachers, supporting leaders, and local priests was sought. The learning found that the Toto's mostly get information from traditional sources. They depend on the headman of the society, the pastor or spiritual leader, legendary story approved down from elders, scandal in the public gathering places, and the marketplace. He complete with the purpose of the main obstacles rural dwellers are differing problems in future to information which ability be on account of their illiteracy and lack of knowledge.

Sinha (2012) described the information seeking behaviour of college library users of south Assam. The reading underlined the status of information seeking behaviour of college library users of South Assam. Anywhere the infiltration of Computers and Internet is particularly low and teachers, research scholars with students are not very a lot contented using computers.

## Methodology

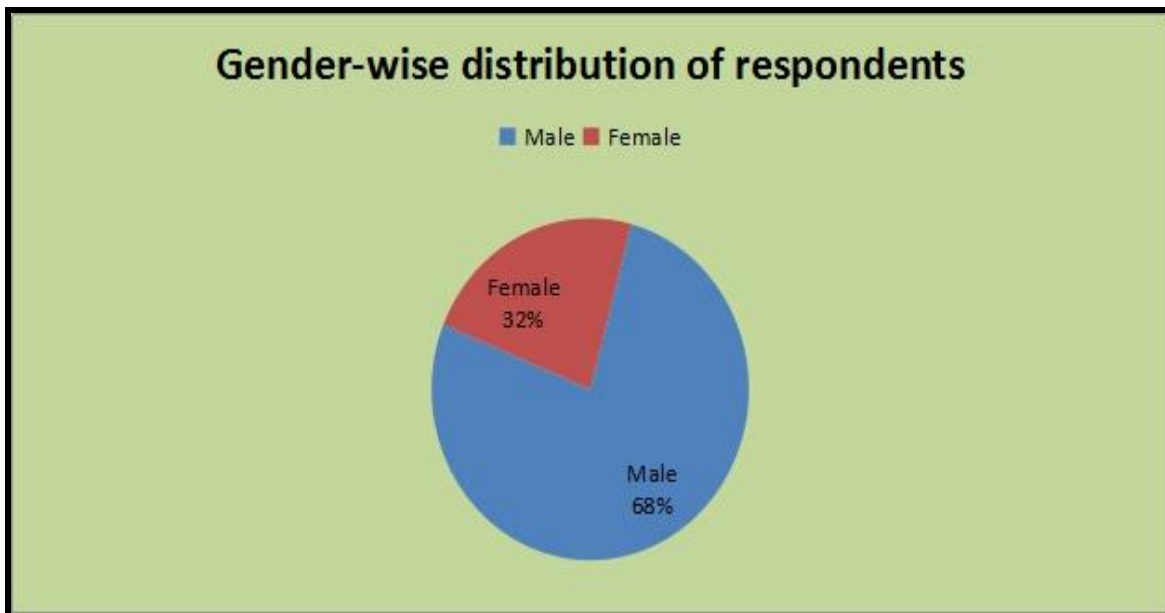
This inspection was based on stratified comfortable example method adopted for Primary data collection. Therefore a prepared questionnaire was ready observance in mind the basic objectives of the study. The total number of 130 questionnaires was distributed among the public libraries users in Mysore district. Following of which the creator received 110 filled in questionnaires. They packed up schedules were shared beginning the respondents for information study and interpretations. The data collected motivation be accepted and interpreted using simple mathematical technique to appear at the suitable inferences and conclusions.

## Analysis of Data

**Table 1: Gender-wise distribution of respondents**

S.No	Sex	No. of respondents	%
01	Male	75	68
02	Female	35	32
<b>Total</b>		<b>110</b>	<b>100</b>

The further Table -1 displays the gender wise analysis of the respondents.68% are male respondents with 32% are female respondents. The male respondents are more than the female respondents under the study.

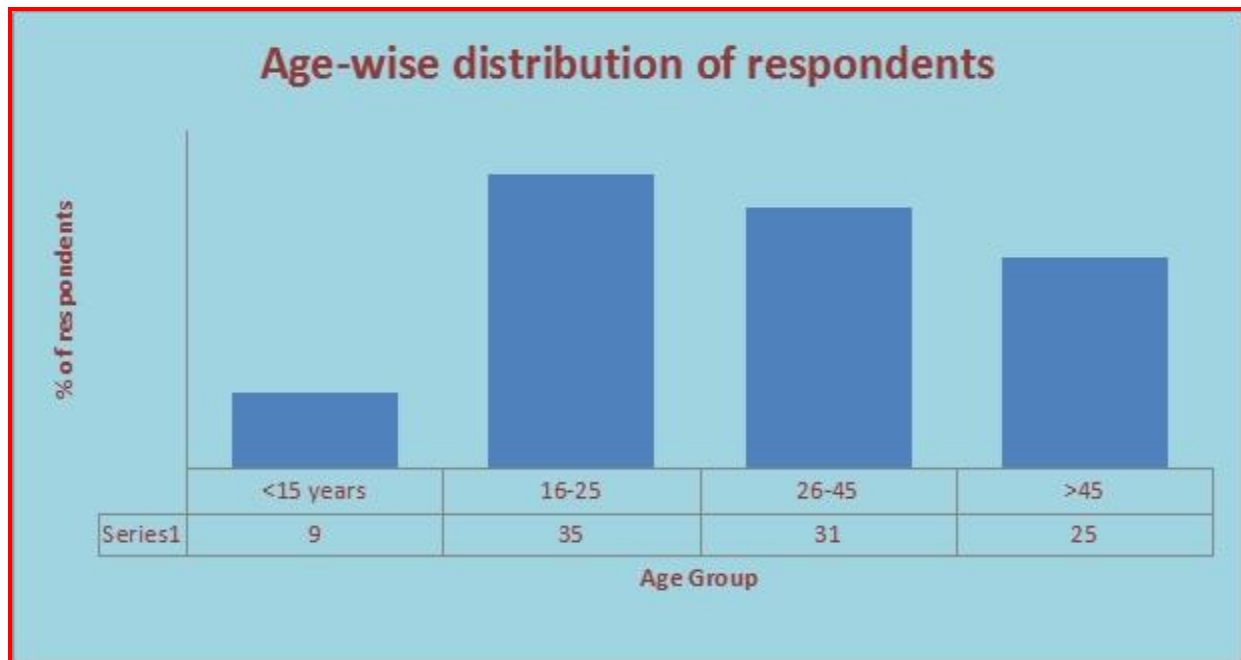


**Figure1: Gender-wise distribution of respondents**

**Table 2: Age-wise distribution of respondents**

S.No	Age ( in Ranges)	No. of respondents	%
01	<15 years	13	12
02	16-25	42	38
03	26-45	37	34
04	>45	18	16
<b>Total</b>		<b>110</b>	<b>100</b>

Table -2 represents the age wise circulation of the respondents. 12% of the respondents belong to <15 age group, 38% respondents are in 16-25 age group followed 34 % respondents in 26-45 age group and 16% respondents are > 45 age group. The majority of the respondents visiting the rural public library experience right to the age group 16-25.

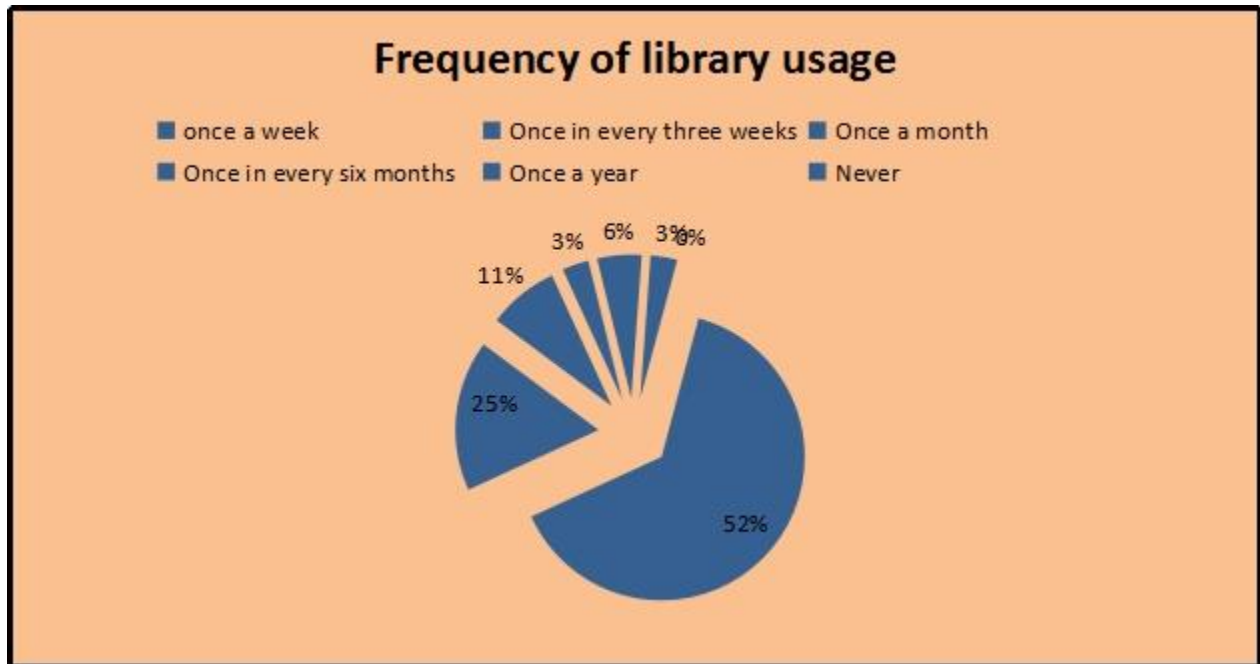


**Figure 2: Age-wise distribution of respondents**

**Table 3: Frequency of library usage**

S.No	Frequency	No. of respondents	%
01	once a week	56	52
02	Once in every three weeks	27	25
03	Once a month	12	11
04	Once in every six months	04	03
05	Once a year	07	06
06	Never	04	03
<b>Total</b>		<b>110</b>	<b>100</b>

preliminary the higher than table-3 it is clear that 56(52%) respondents visit the library once in a week preceded by 27 (25%) respondents who sever the library every three weeks. 12(11%) respondents visit the library only once a month. The popular of users of public libraries in Mysore district visit the library once in a week.



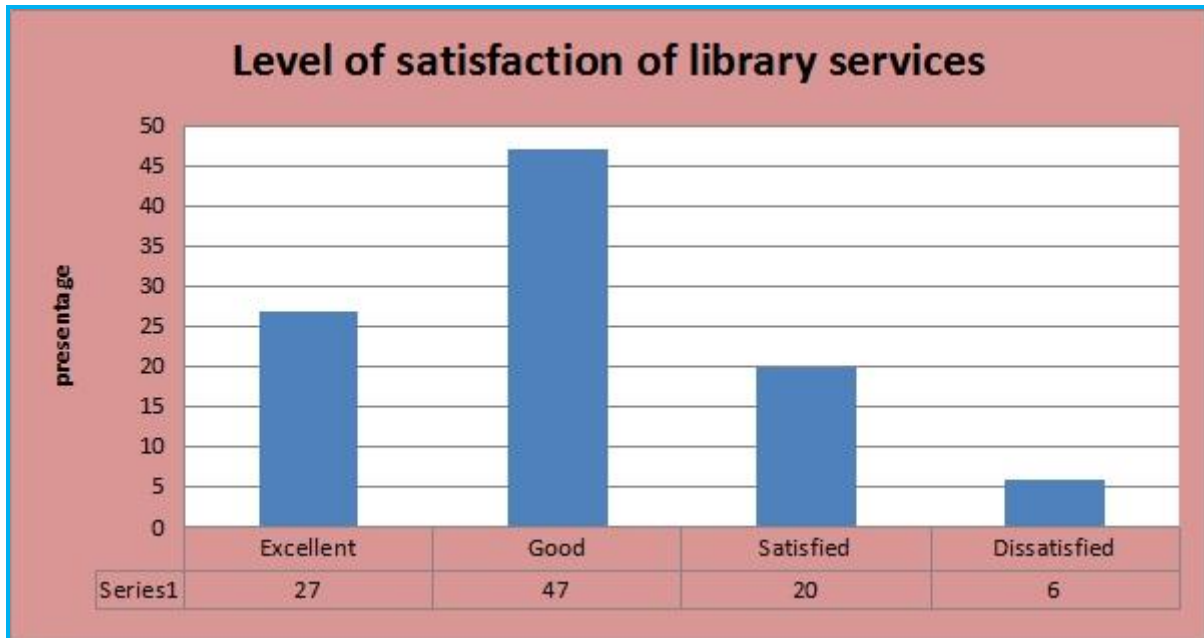
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**Table 4: Level of satisfaction of library services**

S.No	Satisfaction Level	No. of respondents	%
01	Excellent	31	29
02	Good	40	36
03	Satisfied	30	27
04	Dissatisfied	09	08
<b>Total</b>		<b>110</b>	<b>100</b>

It explainable from Table - 6 to 31 (29%) respondents confirmed with the purpose of the level of satisfaction on library services was admirable followed by 40 (36%) respondents score the satisfaction level as good. While 30(27%) respondents are presently satisfied with the level of library services individual performed, 09 (08%) respondents uttered their dissatisfaction on the library services.





**Figure 4: Level of satisfaction of library services**

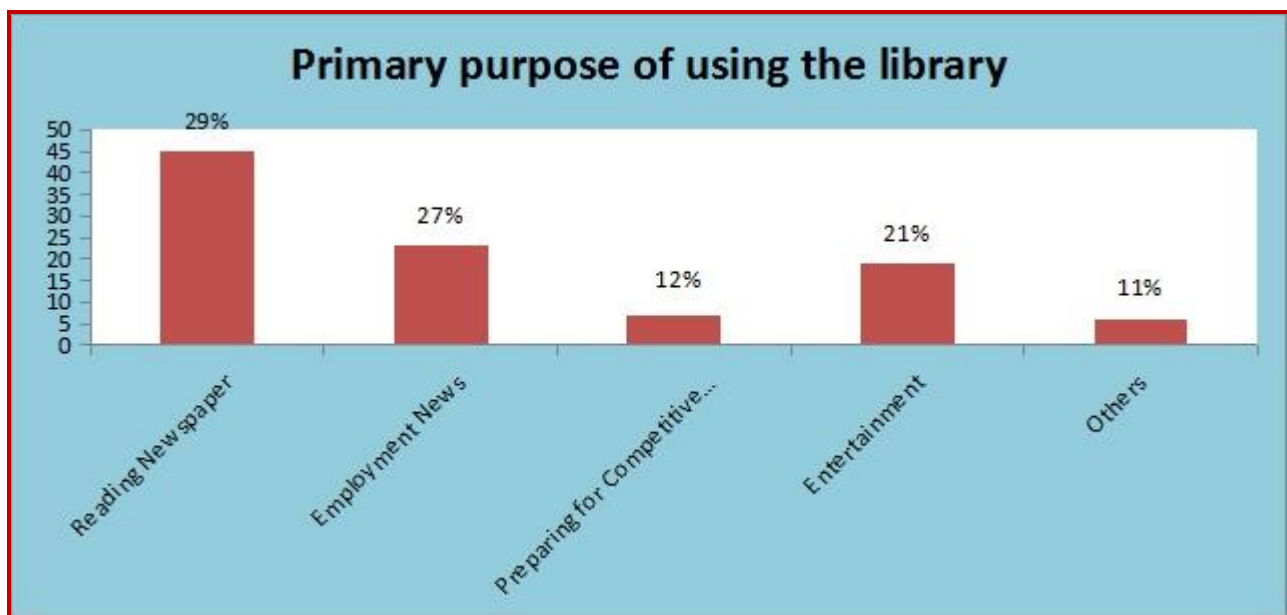
**Table 5: Primary purpose of using the library**

S.No	Purpose of using library	No. of responses	%
01	Reading Newspaper	32	29
02	Employment News	30	27
03	Preparing for Competitive exams	13	12
04	Entertainment	23	21
05	Others	12	11
<b>Total</b>		<b>110</b>	<b>100</b>

It is understandable from the table -5 depicting the typical of using library, 29% of the respondents visits the library for assessment the newspaper followed by 27% of the respondents for receiving information on Employment opportunities. Whereas 11% of the respondents use

the library for preparing themselves for various competitive exams 21% of the respondents come to library to gather some entertainment news.

The primary purpose of the respondents in visiting the library is to read newspaper thus seeking information in current affairs has been the main purpose of pursuing the visit.



**Figure 5: Primary purpose of using the library**

### Suggestions

- It is elective among the aim of the Public Library be supposed to be set aside release and the time should be extended.
- It is optional that the Public library resources should exist accessible in an organized and fit prepared form to uniform the requirements with demand of the Public Library users.
- It is recommended to the Public Library should give to the important employment news and the student viable investigation materials should be a part of library consortium.
- It is suggested that the Public library should generate a social depository with tell the services accessible in the digital library.

- It is possible that the Public library must expand the collection by allocating additional budgets for infrastructure and create the pleasant situation to the Public library users.
- To support the concentration of different databases the Librarian should perform user Training programmes of use of Library services.
- It is possible that shortage of computers among lack of Internet access is a problem for a popular of the users.

## **Conclusion**

Public libraries are expected to provide people spring services aiming on accomplishing the general public through the provision of appropriate information resources and services. Such as elective services, intentional leadership, along with information taking place local content that incorporates original knowledge system keen going on it. The reading “Information needs and information seeking Pattern of public library users in Mysore district” have enclosed overall attitude of the users about evaluation habits, resources, facilities and services in the library. The learn continued in the right attitude to recognize about the information needs and seeking behaviour of the users along with advance in public libraries. Information is an imperative and essential resource of the modern society. It grows from association, observation, inference, and interface by means of improves the knowledge of library users. Public libraries are the most inexpensively efficient community resources used for only if people of every age and learning levels by prepared access to information and knowledge.

## **Further Research**

The recent study reports inactive going on team of information needs and information seeking patterns of Indian citizen living in preferred remote villages or rural area. People are conscious of their information needs and their capacity to convey needs have assessed and evaluated in this survey. It also involves character of reasons for seeking information the kind of information which needed. The practice and sources which desirable information is wanted. The study also reports on the nature of information needs standard surrounded by respondents and their information seeking behaviour call for the receipt of a suitable model to supply for the exceptional needs of rural villagers. It is against this environment with the purpose of current models of rural information provision being seriously reviewed. The obstructions to information condition in rural area such like language are also have known. In the near study importance has

been given to provide enough library services to the rural communities of Mysore with proposes to increase as well as support rural public libraries in villages and create the rural people about the require and importance of the rural public libraries.

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